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"The Government will pursue an aggressive crime policy so as to bring order to Sweden. Serious violence and organised crime must be fought. At the same time, the focus will shift from perpetrator to victim and to protecting society."

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Efforts to strengthen Sweden's security

News from Gunnar Strömmer

Three new national strategies for increased safety and security

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The Government has presented three national strategies for increased safety and security in Sweden. You can read more about the strategies here.

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Action programme against men's violence against women, domestic violence and honour-based violence and oppression

The Government is now presenting an action programme to prevent and combat men's violence against women, domestic violence, honour-based violence and oppression, and prostitution and human trafficking for the period 2024–2026. The programme contains over 130 initiatives and measures to be undertaken on a broad front at national, regional and local level. The efforts will also be strengthened in four special priority areas for development.

Published 24 June 2024 · Press release from Acko Ankarberg Johansson, Gunnar Strömmer, Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice

Nordic ministerial meeting on children and young people involved in crime

More and more children and young people are becoming involved in criminal networks, and stopping recruitment requires early interventions, knowledge-based methods and collaboration. Minister for Justice Gunnar Strömmer and Minister for Social Services Camilla Waltersson Grönvall therefore hosted Nordic countries, including the autonomous regions, for a discussion about children and young people who are, or risk being, involved in crime. The meeting was held within the framework of the ongoing Swedish Presidency of the Nordic Council of Ministers.

Published 25 March 2024 · Article from Camilla Waltersson Grönvall, Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice

New national strategy to strengthen crime prevention efforts

To combat crime and increase security, investments in the judicial system and criminal law measures must be combined with effective and proactive crime prevention efforts. The Government has therefore presented a national strategy that focuses on social crime prevention measures. The aim includes preventing children and young people from becoming involved in criminal networks and other types of crime.

Published 21 March 2024 · Press release from Camilla Waltersson Grönvall, Gunnar Strömmer, Jakob Forssmed, Lotta Edholm, Ministry of Education and Research, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice

Sweden concludes agreement with France on fighting organised crime

Gang criminality and other forms of serious crime are major societal problems in both Sweden and France. Together, Sweden and France are now intensifying their efforts in the fight against organised crime. A new agreement will present new possibilities for closer cooperation in several areas.

Published 04 March 2024 \cdot <u>Press release</u> from <u>Gunnar Strömmer</u>, <u>Ministry of Justice</u>

Resistance and action – Sweden's national strategy against organised crime

The Swedish Government has adopted Sweden's first comprehensive national strategy against organised crime. The strategy serves as a direction for the work against organised crime, with the purpose to reduce vulnerabilities exploited by criminals. The national strategy presents priorities and identifies central actors.

Published 08 February 2024 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

Meeting on strategy against violent extremism and terrorism

In December, Minister for Justice Gunnar Strömmer held a meeting with representatives of a number of government agencies, academia and municipalities to discuss a new comprehensive strategy against violent extremism and terrorism. The Government had previously announced that a new strategy against violent extremism and terrorism would be drafted.

Published 05 February 2024 · Article from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

More effective law enforcement through Sweden's participation in EPPO

The Government today decided to refer a proposal to the Council on Legislation regarding amendments necessary for Sweden to able to take part in the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO).

Published 26 January 2024 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

"How we are protecting Sweden from violent extremism and terrorism"

Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson, Minister for Energy, Business and Industry Ebba Busch, Minister for Employment and Integration Johan Pehrson and Minister for Justice Gunnar Strömmer, opinion piece, Dagens industri, 8 January 2024.

Published 22 January 2024 · Opinion piece from Ebba Busch, Gunnar Strömmer, Johan Pehrson, Ulf Kristersson, Ministry of Climate and Enterprise, Ministry of Education and Research, Ministry of Justice, Prime Minister's Office

Prevent, avert, protect and manage: new national strategy against violent extremism and terrorism

The Government has adopted a new comprehensive national strategy against violent extremism and terrorism. The Government is also tasking the Swedish Security Service, the Swedish Police, the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency and the Swedish Centre for Preventing Violent Extremism (under the auspices of the Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention) with taking measures to incorporate the strategy into their activities.

Published 17 January 2024 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ulf Kristersson, Ministry of Justice, Prime Minister's Office

Inquiry proposes new act on anonymous witness testimony

The Inquiry on anonymous witness testimony has presented its interim report to Minister for Justice Gunnar Strömmer. In its report, the Inquiry proposes introducing a system of anonymous witness testimony in criminal cases.

Published 02 November 2023 · <u>Press release</u> from <u>Gunnar Strömmer</u>, <u>Ministry of Justice</u>

New video surveillance offensive against criminal networks - new and better tools for the Swedish Police

Video surveillance is effective in preventing crime, is a valuable tool in criminal investigations and can be used to stop crimes while they are in progress. In light of the recent wave of violence, the Government has presented a new video surveillance offensive that will allow the Swedish Police Authority to make better use of facial recognition and automatic number plate recognition technologies and direct access to traffic cameras.

Published 19 October 2023 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

Report on tighter property acquisition controls submitted to the Government

The Government has received the report 'Who owns the property' (Vem äger fastigheten). In the report, the Inquiry proposes measures aimed at preventing the Swedish property market from being exploited for crime and countering fraudulent conveyance of rental properties.

Published 19 October 2023 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

Government statement in light of attack in Brussels

Yesterday evening, the Government received the alarming news that two Swedes were killed in a terrorist attack in Brussels. The attack appears to have been aimed at Sweden and Swedish interests. Our thoughts are with the deceased and their relatives.

Published 17 October 2023 · Statement from Acko Ankarberg Johansson, Andreas Carlson, Anna Tenje, Camilla Waltersson Grönvall, Carl-Oskar Bohlin, Ebba Busch, Elisabeth Svantesson, Erik Slottner, Gunnar Strömmer, Jakob Forssmed, Jessika Roswall, Johan Forssell, Johan Pehrson, Lotta Edholm, Maria Malmer Stenergard, Mats Persson, Niklas Wykman, Pål Jonson, Parisa Liljestrand, Paulina Brandberg, Peter Kullgren, Romina Pourmokhtari, Tobias Billström, Ulf Kristersson, Government

Enhanced national collaboration and coordination to prevent violent extremism

Sweden is facing a deteriorating security situation, with an increased threat of attacks by terrorists and violent extremists. This situation requires additional measures, not least in efforts to prevent radicalisation and violent extremism. The Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention will therefore be tasked with enhancing collaboration between government agencies and other relevant actors to prevent radicalisation and the spread of violent extremism. This assignment will be carried out as part of the activities of the Council's Swedish Centre for Preventing Violent Extremism.

Published 05 September 2023 \cdot <u>Press release</u> from <u>Gunnar Strömmer</u>, <u>Ministry of Justice</u>

Swedish Security Service raises terror threat level

The Swedish Security Service has raised the terrorist threat level from level 3 ('elevated') to level 4 ('high') on a 5-level scale. In light of the deteriorating security situation, the Government is working intensively and constantly to take the necessary measures.

Published 21 August 2023 · Article from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

Review of Public Order Act to strengthen Sweden's security

The Government has decided to appoint an Inquiry Chair to examine whether Sweden's security could be considered when examining permit applications and setting conditions for public gatherings under the Public Order Act.

Published 21 August 2023 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

New measures to strengthen Sweden's security

Due to the serious security situation, there is greater need for control over who is attempting to enter Sweden and for what purposes. The Government has therefore decided to expand the mandate of the Police to intensify internal border control. This was announced at a press conference yesterday by Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson and Minister for Justice Gunnar Strömmer.

Published 02 August 2023 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ulf Kristersson, Ministry of Justice, Prime Minister's Office

Government agencies tasked with developing and intensifying counter-terrorism efforts to strengthen Sweden's security

The reactions following the burning of copies of the Quran have led to a deteriorating security situation. The Government has therefore decided to task several government agencies with strengthening Sweden's ability to prevent, avert and impede terrorism and violent extremism.

Published 28 July 2023 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

Reintroduced temporary border control at internal borders

The Government has decided to reintroduce border control at Sweden's internal borders from 12 May to 11 November 2023. The decision is based on the Government's assessment that there is a serious threat to public order and internal security. The current decision expires on 11 May.

Published 05 May 2023 · Press release from Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Justice

New act will stop investments in companies by foreign actors that could harm Sweden

Foreign direct investments are hugely important to Sweden's business sector. At the same time, there are risks associated with foreign actors investing in protected activities. The Government has therefore today decided to refer a proposal to the Council on Legislation for a new act under which investments that involve security risks can be reviewed by a special screening authority and, if necessary, prohibited.

Published 22 March 2023 · Press release from Carl-Oskar Bohlin, Gunnar Strömmer, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Justice

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